

Lorraine Demarois
Patient Testimonial
Storm Eye Institute

Lorraine Demarois is grateful for her new outlook on life. After a lifetime of living with bagginess and dark circles under her eyes, she finally took action in 2004. She consulted Gene Howard, MD, at the Albert Florens Storm Eye Institute at the Medical University of South Carolina and found out that fixing her problem was actually quite simple.

“I thought I needed a facelift,” Lorraine says. “But in my consultation Dr. Howard told me that my condition could be fixed with outpatient laser treatments that wouldn’t even require me to stay overnight in the hospital.”

In this straightforward procedure, Dr. Howard used a CO2 laser to gently exfoliate the outer layer of Lorraine’s skin while delivering heat to the inner layer of skin to tighten it. Although the initial result can cause the treated area to be red and swollen, the results after 2-3 weeks are amazing. “I look in the mirror and can’t believe I’m 45 years old. I look and feel wonderful.”

After waiting years to finally make the decision, Lorraine knew she needed to see the best. “I felt comfortable knowing that Dr. Howard was a part of a team of specialists taking care of me,” Lorraine says. “As a nurse at the Medical University of South Carolina where Dr. Howard operates, I’ve seen many of his patients before and after surgery. I’m always impressed with their results. Even now, I’ll see a patient of his on the surgery schedule and I’ll go show them what I had done so they know what a wonderful outcome they have to look forward to.”

Excited with her results, Lorraine is appreciative and comfortable with her outcome. “People no longer ask if I’m sick or tired,” she says. “I have nothing to be self-conscious about now. I have a fresh outlook on life.”